



# Clinical Congress News

The American College of Surgeons • 79th Clinical Congress • October 10-15, 1993 • San Francisco

## Welcome



W. Gerald Austen,  
MD, FACS, President

**O**n behalf of the Board of Regents, it is a great privilege and pleasure to welcome you to San Francisco for the 79th Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons.

The Clinical Congress is one of the world's largest educational meetings for surgeons, and over 10,000 physicians are expected to register for this meeting. Total attendance, including ancillary health care professionals, scientific and industrial exhibitors, members of the press, and invited guests, is expected to exceed 17,000.

The College's Program Committee, under the direction of Chairman Seymour I. Schwartz, MD, FACS, Rochester, NY, and Vice-Chairman R. Scott Jones, MD, FACS, Charlottesville, VA, has planned another outstanding Congress. This year's meeting features approximately 100 hours of general and specialty sessions, as well as more than 400 hours of continuing education for surgeons in all specialties.

Activities formally begin at 9:30 Monday morning. Donald D. Trunkey, MD, FACS, will deliver the Opening Ceremony lecture that he has titled "The Admiral's Wounds." Immediately following the opening ceremonies, a wide variety of general interest and specialty sessions will commence. Please consult the official Clinical Congress Program Book for a complete listing of all sessions.

In addition, over 310 papers reflecting original research conducted by young surgical investigators will be presented during the Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems, which will be held Monday through Thursday of this week. These papers are published in *Surgical Forum*, Volume 44, which is available in the registration area of the Moscone Center.

The week's meetings and activities will culminate with the awarding of Fellowship in the College to over 1,600 Initiates at the Convocation ceremonies on Thursday evening. I heartily encourage you to attend the Convocation, which will take place in the Esplanade Ballroom of the Moscone Center beginning at 8:00 pm.

The Clinical Congress continues to be the hallmark event of this organization. It is a testament to the dedication, hard work, and cooperation of the College staff, ACS committees, and attendees. I offer my sincere thanks to the individuals who have planned the arrangements for this Congress, and extend to each and every attendee my best wishes for a worthwhile and productive meeting.



## Initiates' Program focuses on surgical quality and ethics

**F**or the fifth consecutive year, the College's Committee on Young Surgeons will present an Initiates' Program at the Clinical Congress.

This year's program, which is entitled "Promoting Quality and Ethics in Surgical Practice," will take place Monday, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, in Room 102 on the exhibit hall level of the Moscone Center.

One of the purposes of this program is to welcome Initiates into the College and to acquaint them with some of the major issues that will be addressed at sessions held during the week-long Congress. However, all Fellows who are interested in the program are encouraged to attend.

Stephen J. Haines, MD, FACS, who is Chairman of the Committee on Young Surgeons, will serve as moderator for the Initiates' Program. Speakers and their topics are as follows:

"Governmental Perspectives on Clinical Guidelines Development and Outcomes Research," by Ira E. Raskin, PhD; "Understanding How Patients Perceive Risks: A Way to Improve Health Care Policy and Doctor-Patient Communication," by Peter E. Politser, MD, PhD; "Surgical Efficiency and Surgical Quality: Use,

Limitations, and Expectations of Decision Analysis in Clinical Care," by Job Kievit, MD, PhD; and "Futile Surgical Care: One Viewpoint," by J. Alex Haller, Jr., MD, FACS.

Initiates and other interested Fellows are also invited to participate in a Clinical Congress panel discussion that the Committee on Young Surgeons will sponsor, entitled "The Rationing of Health Care: What Are the Options?" The program will take place on Monday, from 3:30 to 5:30 pm, in the same location as the Initiates' Program.

Martha D. McDaniel, MD, FACS, who is Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Young Surgeons, will serve as moderator for the panel discussion. Speakers and topics are as follows:

"Rationing in America: Overt and Covert," by John W. Bussman, MD; "The Impact of America's Social Problems on Rising Health Care Costs and the Rationing of Care," by Leroy L. Schwartz, MD; "Proposed Legislative Solutions for Increasing Access to Care," by Henry R. Desmarais, MD; and "Coordinated Care: How Effective Is It?" by Donald W. Parsons, MD, FACS.



# Donald Trunkey to discuss Admiral Nelson



Donald D. Trunkey, MD, FACS

**D**onald D. Trunkey, MD, FACS, will deliver the Opening Ceremony Lecture of the 1993 Clinical Congress on Monday morning at 9:30 am in the Esplanade Ballroom of Moscone Center. Dr. Trunkey has titled his lecture "The Admiral's Wounds." He is professor and chairman of the department of surgery at Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR.

Dr. Trunkey received a BS degree in 1959 from Washington State University and an MD degree in 1963 from the University of Washington. Between 1963 and 1972, he undertook postgraduate

training at the University of Oregon, the University of California (San Francisco), and the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School (National Institutes of Health Trauma Unit).

He began his academic career in 1971 as assistant research professor of surgery at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. Between 1972 and 1986, Dr. Trunkey was professor, director of surgery, chief of surgery, and chairman of the department of surgery at the University of California, San Francisco. In 1986, he assumed his present position in Portland.

In his lecture, Dr. Trunkey will discuss Admiral Nelson—his naval career, his battlefield accomplishments, his combat wounds, and the medical care he received. Horatio Nelson was born on September 29, 1758, in Norfolk, England, and died at sea off Cape Trafalgar, Spain, on October 21, 1805. He is best remembered as the brilliant British naval commander in the wars with revolutionary and Napoleonic France. In addition to victories in decisive battles, such as those of the Nile (1798) and of Trafalgar (1805), he was recognized as an innovative strategist and a benevolent leader of men.

## General Sessions

Here are the panel discussions and symposia that will be held Monday under the Program Book listing "General Sessions."

### Monday

**Panel Discussion sponsored by the Committee on Graduate Medical Education**  
Graduate Medical Education: The Educational Environment: A Break with Tradition  
10:30 am in Room 104, Moscone Center

**Panel Discussion sponsored by the Committee on Operating Room Environment**  
Regulation in the Operating Room: Impact, Importance, and Compliance  
10:30 am in Room 303, Moscone Center

**General Panel Discussion**  
Molecular Biology in the Diagnosis and Therapy of Neoplasms  
10:30 am in Room 304, Moscone Center

**Initiates' Program sponsored by the Committee on Young Surgeons**  
Promoting Quality and Ethics in Surgical Practice  
1:00 pm in Room 102, Moscone Center

**General Panel Discussion**  
Management of Non-Invasive Carcinoma of the Breast  
1:30 pm in the Esplanade Ballroom, Moscone Center

**Panel Discussion sponsored by the Board of Governors Committee**  
Viral Infections in the Operating Room  
1:30 pm in Room 134, Moscone Center

### Graduate Medical Education Committee Workshop

Developing Quality Control Standards in a Surgical Residency Program  
1:30 pm in Room 303, Moscone Center

### General Panel Discussion

Current Management of Blunt Abdominal Trauma  
3:30 pm in the Esplanade Ballroom, Moscone Center

### Panel Discussion sponsored by the Committee on Young Surgeons

The Rationing of Health Care: What Are the Options?  
3:30 pm in Room 102, Moscone Center

### Science and Humanism Seminar

3:30 pm in Room 104, Moscone Center

## Registration, locations, and hours

If you have received your credentials for the Clinical Congress, to verify your attendance simply turn in your attendance verification card at an Advance Registration Desk to receive a badge holder and Program Book. In addition to Moscone Center, there will be an Advance Registration Desk on the Ballroom Level of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers that will be open Sunday, October 10, 12:00 noon - 8:00 pm and Monday, October 11 - Friday, October 15, 7:30 am - 5:00 pm.

As an added convenience, an Advance Registration Desk will be located at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco Marriott, and the Westin St. Francis Hotel. The hours of operation are Sunday, October 10, 12:00 noon - 8:00 pm and Monday, October 11, 7:30 am - 12:00 noon only. If you received a badge or Postgraduate course ticket in the mail, you can redeem your verification card for a badge holder, Program Book, and PG manual at these locations.

The following companies (followed by their booth number) have supported the Clinical Congress News with advertisements in the Exhibit Guide section of this issue:

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# Drs. Abeloff, Steele to discuss cancer care

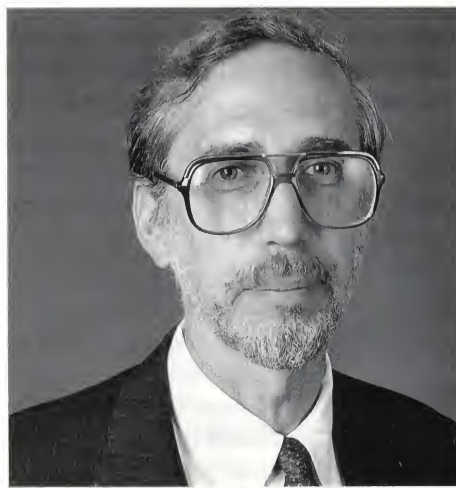
**T**he annual meeting of the Commission on Cancer will take place on Sunday, October 10, in the Plaza Ballroom of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers Hotel. The meeting, which will begin at 2:00 pm, will feature a keynote address presented by Martin D. Abeloff, MD, entitled "Professionalism and Cancer Care."

Dr. Abeloff is professor and director at the Johns Hopkins Oncology Center, Baltimore, MD. He is also past president of the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

A reception will be held from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in Dr. Abeloff's honor follow-

ing the annual meeting in the Tower Room of the hotel.

The Commission on Cancer Oncology Lecture will be held on Wednesday, October 13, in the Esplanade Room of the Moscone Center, beginning at 11:00 am. Glenn D. Steele, Jr., MD, FACS, Past Chairman of the Commission on Cancer, will present this year's lecture, entitled "Advances in the Treatment of Early to Advanced Stage Colorectal Cancer: 20 Years of Progress." Dr. Steele is William V. McDermott Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School, and chairman, department of surgery, New England Deaconess Hospital, Boston, MA.



Martin D. Abeloff, MD



Glenn D. Steele, Jr., MD, FACS

## At AWS meeting

# Drs. Organ and Gauntlett receive awards

On Sunday, October 10, the Association of Women Surgeons (AWS) will commence their fifth annual meeting at 9:00 am in Grand Ballroom B of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers.

AWS activities will be held in conjunction with the Clinical Congress through Wednesday, October 13.

During the AWS Sunday program, two awards will be bestowed. Claude Organ, MD, FACS, professor and chair of the department of surgery, University of California, Davis-East Bay, and editor of the *Archives of Surgery*, will be presented the Nina Starr Braunwald Award in recognition of outstanding con-

tributions to the advancement of women in surgery.

Dr. Organ will receive this award for his support of women in surgery and of the Association of Women Surgeons. As a result of his efforts, the June 1993 issue of *Archives of Surgery* was devoted to "Women in Surgery."

Hughenna Gauntlett, MD, FACS, will receive the Distinguished Member award, which is given to an AWS member who exemplifies the ideals and mission of the association. Dr. Gauntlett retired from private practice in general surgery in December 1986. She currently teaches in the human anatomy

laboratory of University of California, San Diego, in La Jolla, and has been granted an assistant clinical professorship in the department of surgery.

The Sunday program begins with a workshop presented by Patricia Honea Fleming, PhD, titled "Surgeon, Woman, Self."

The workshop is designed to stimulate discussion among members and encourage self-appreciation and understanding. A luncheon (which includes presentation of the awards), annual business meeting, and elections will follow the workshop.

An evening reception at the Gallery

Building, 250 Sutter St., and a dinner afterwards at LaScaux Restaurant in the Gallery Building will conclude Sunday's AWS offerings.

Wednesday, October 13, will mark the completion of the AWS program with a networking breakfast from 7:00 to 9:00 am at the San Francisco Hilton and Towers. The breakfast is open to members and prospective members at no charge.

For more information about AWS, contact the association at 414 Plaza Dr., Ste. 209, Westmont, IL 60559 (tel. 708/655-0392), or stop by Technical Exhibit Booth #3133, where AWS features a history of women in surgery.

## Fellows Leadership Society

# Dr. Jacobson to receive philanthropy award

**T**he Fellows Leadership Society will hold its fifth annual luncheon on Monday and will feature the presentation of the ACS Distinguished Philanthropist Award. The award will be given to Julius H. Jacobson II, MD, FACS.

Through the generosity of Dr. Jacobson, a \$500,000 endowment has been established so that the College will be able to fund and begin development of the Jacobson Innovation Award of the American College of Surgeons.

The purpose of the award will be to honor living surgeons, or surgical teams, who have been innovators of a

new development or technique in any field of surgery.

A general vascular surgeon, Dr. Jacobson is clinical professor of surgery at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City. He is universally recognized as the first surgeon to have used a microscope to facilitate the joining together of small blood vessels.

His pioneering work in the development of microsurgery led to coronary artery bypass graft surgery, reimplantation of limbs, and the transfer of skin, muscle, and bone from one area of the body to another.

The reception and luncheon will be-

gin at 11:00 am in the Grand Ballroom of the Westin St. Francis Hotel.

Due to the College's long-standing relationship with Davis + Geck (American Cyanamid Company), the Committee on Development deemed it appropriate to invite Mr. William Poole, president of the company, to present the keynote address, signifying the supportive relationship between the company and the College.

New Life Members of the Fellows Leadership Society will also be honored at the luncheon.

The society is chaired by Ralph A. Straffon, MD, FACS, Past President of the College.



Julius H. Jacobson II, MD, FACS



# Nine named lectures offered at Congress

**O**ffered during the Clinical Congress each year are nine named lectures. A brief history of each lecture, as well as this year's speakers and topics, follows.

The **American Urological Association (AUA) Lecture**, sponsored by that association, was first delivered in 1967 by Dr. Paul S. Russell, who spoke on "Tissue Immunity and Organ Transplantation." Since then, the lecture has covered such diverse topics as hypertension, specialty relations, body responses to weightlessness, health problems in developing nations, manpower, and the National Institutes of Health.

Presenting the 1993 AUA Lecture will be Donald S. Coffey, PhD, of Baltimore, MD. Dr. Coffey is The Catherine Iola and J. Smith Michael Distinguished Professor of Urology and Oncology, and professor of pharmacology and molecular sciences at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dr. Coffey will discuss "Cancer, Chaos, and Complexity."

The **Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery Lecture** debuted in 1992. At the request of the College's Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery, this lectureship was established by the Board of Regents in February 1990. The purpose of this lecture is to present aspects of the development of surgery. The first lecture was delivered by Dale C. Smith, PhD, associate professor at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD. Dr. Smith discussed "Appendicitis, Appendectomy: The Development of Modern Surgery."

The second Advisory Council Lecture will be delivered by Robert J. T. Joy, MD, FACP, of Bethesda, MD. Dr. Joy is professor and chairman of the section of medical history at The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. Dr. Joy will speak on "Hemorrhagic Shock: Problem in Search of a Solution."

The **John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture** was first delivered in 1971 by Michael E. DeBakey, MD, FACS, who spoke about "The Impact of the Development of the Heart-Lung Machine on Medicine and Its Potentialities." The lecture was established to honor John H. Gibbon, Jr., MD, FACS, a pioneer of modern open-heart surgery, who performed the world's first successful open-heart operation using a machine that totally bypassed the heart.

This year's Gibbon Lecture will be presented by Harold C. Urschel, Jr., MD, FACS, of Dallas, TX. Dr. Urschel is professor of clinical thoracic and cardiovascular surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas. He has chosen "Thoracic Outlet Syndromes" as the topic of his lecture.

The **Scudder Oration on Trauma** honors Charles Locke Scudder, MD, FACS, an outstanding contributor to the sur-

gery of trauma and to postgraduate education in fractures and dislocations. In 1917, he organized the first fracture service in the United States.

In 1929, Dr. Scudder delivered the first Oration on Fractures at the Clinical Congress in Chicago, IL. As the scope of trauma surgery widened and the College's Committee on Fractures became the Committee on Trauma, the name of the lecture became the Oration on Trauma in 1952, and became the Scudder Oration on Trauma in 1963.

Delivering the 1993 Scudder Lecture will be Ben Eiseman, MD, FACS, of Denver, CO. Dr. Eiseman will discuss "Our Second Responsibility in Trauma Care: A New Clause in the Social Contract." Dr. Eiseman was Second Vice-President of the College from 1983 to 1984, and is currently the Distinguished Physician at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Denver.

The **Ethics and Philosophy Lecture** debuted at the 1991 Clinical Congress in Chicago, IL. John Conley, MD, FACS, a New York otorhinolaryngologist, donated \$100,000 to the College to endow a fund that would support this lecture. The lectureship is presented under the auspices of the Committee on Ethics and the Advisory Council for Otorhinolaryngology. Of this lectureship, Dr. Conley has said, "I consider ethics and philosophy to be, in one sense, the essence of the medical profession. It is one of the things that has been buffeted about in the past 20 or 30 years, but that has not diminished its essentiality."

The first Ethics and Philosophy Lecture was presented by Leon R. Kass, MD, Addie Clark Harding Professor in the College of Social Thought at the University of Chicago (IL). Dr. Kass' topic was "I Will Give No Deadly Drug: Why Doctors Must Not Kill."

This year's Ethics Lecture will be presented by former ACS Secretary LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., MD, FACS, of Washington, DC. Dr. Leffall is the Charles R. Drew Professor and chairman in the department of surgery at Howard University Hospital. Dr. Leffall's lecture is "Medical Ethics in Today's Society."

The **Commission on Cancer Oncology Lectureship** was first delivered at the 1988 Clinical Congress. The establishment of the Oncology Lecture was approved by the College's Board of Regents in June of 1987. The purpose of the lecture is to present current major developments in the field of oncology and to emphasize the role of the surgeon in the care of the cancer patient. The lecturer is considered a leader in the field of oncology who has done outstanding work in laboratory research, clinical research, or cancer management.

Glenn D. Steele, Jr., MD, FACS, of Boston, MA, will deliver this year's Oncology Lecture, which he has titled "Advances in the Treatment of Early to Advanced Stage Colorectal Cancer:

Twenty Years of Progress." Dr. Steele is The William V. McDermott Professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA.

The **I. S. Ravdin Lecture in the Basic Sciences**, sponsored by the I. S. Ravdin Surgical Society, was first delivered in 1964 and honors I.S. Ravdin, MD, FACS, who served as President of the College 1960-1961. The lecture was established by the Board of Regents, which believed that it was "essential that knowledge in the basic sciences which would support surgery should be presented to the Fellowship."

This year's Ravdin Lecture, "The L-Arginine: Nitric Oxide Pathway—From Normal Physiology to Human Disease," will be delivered by Salvador Moncada, MD, of Beckenham, England. Dr. Moncada is director of research of the Wellcome Research Laboratories in England.

The **Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery** was established by the Board of Regents in June 1990, and the first Distinguished Lecture was presented at the 1992 Congress. This lectureship was established to honor distinguished international surgeons. The first lecture was presented by Sir Roy Calne, MB, BS,

FRCS(Eng), FRS, FACS(Hon), professor of surgery at the University of Cambridge, England, who spoke about organ transplantation.

The second Distinguished Lecture will be delivered by Professor John Terblanche, FRCS(Eng & Glas), FACS(Hon), of Cape Town, South Africa. Professor Terblanche has titled his lecture "The Changing Face of Biliary Tract Surgery in 1993." Professor Terblanche, who became an Honorary Fellow of the ACS in 1987, is professor and chairman in the department of surgery at the University of Cape Town and Groote Schuur Teaching Hospitals Group.

The **Martin Memorial Lecture** was established in 1946 by the Board of Regents to honor the memory of Franklin H. Martin, MD, FACS, founder of the College, as well as his wife, Isabelle Hollister Martin. The specific topic of the lecture is to be of the author's own choosing on any cultural subject.

W. French Anderson, MD, of Los Angeles, CA, will present this year's Martin Memorial Lecture, which will be devoted to "Human Gene Therapy." Dr. Anderson is professor of biochemistry and pediatrics at the University of Southern California School of Medicine.

## Named lecture schedule

### Monday, October 11

10:15 - 11:15 am, American Urological Association Lecture  
Cancer, Chaos, and Complexity  
*Moscone Center, Esplanade Ballroom*  
LECTURER: Donald S. Coffey, PhD

1:30 - 2:30 pm, The Advisory Council for Neurological Surgery Lecture  
Hemorrhagic Shock: Problem in Search of a Solution  
*Moscone Center, Room 104*  
LECTURER: Robert J. T. Joy, MD, FACP

3:30 - 4:40 pm, John H. Gibbon, Jr., Lecture  
Thoracic Outlet Syndromes  
*Moscone Center, Room 134*  
LECTURER: Harold C. Urschel, Jr., MD, FACS

### Tuesday, October 12

1:30 - 2:15 pm, Scudder Oration on Trauma  
Our Second Responsibility in Trauma Care: A New Clause in the Social Contract  
*Moscone Center, Room 134*  
LECTURER: Ben Eiseman, MD, FACS

### Wednesday, October 13

9:00 - 10:00 am, Ethics and Philosophy Lecture  
Medical Ethics in Today's Society  
*Moscone Center, Room 134*

LECTURER: LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., MD, FACS

11:00 am - 12:15 pm, Commission on Cancer Oncology Lectureship  
Advances in the Treatment of Early to Advanced Stage Colorectal Cancer: Twenty Years of Progress  
*Moscone Center, Esplanade Ballroom*  
LECTURER: Glenn D. Steele, Jr., MD, FACS

1:30 - 2:15 pm, I. S. Ravdin Lecture in the Basic Sciences  
The L-Arginine: Nitric Oxide Pathway—From Normal Physiology to Human Disease  
*Moscone Center, Esplanade Ballroom*  
LECTURER: Salvador Moncada, MD

3:00 - 4:00 pm, Distinguished Lecture of the International Society of Surgery  
The Changing Face of Biliary Tract Surgery in 1993  
*Moscone Center, Room 103*  
LECTURER: Professor John Terblanche, FRCS(Eng & Glas), FACS(Hon)

### Thursday, October 14

3:15 - 3:55 pm, Martin Memorial Lecture  
Human Gene Therapy  
*Moscone Center, Room 134*  
LECTURER: W. French Anderson, MD



## Program Changes

Listed below are program changes made since publication of the official Program Book.

### General Sessions

In Tuesday's Surgical Research and Education Panel Discussion (8:30 am), the title of Dr. Edward Oldfield's presentation has been changed to "Gene Therapy of Brain Tumors."

### Motion Pictures

The following title changes have been made in Tuesday's Ciné Clinic Motion Picture Session on Esophageal Disease (8:30 am): Esophagogastrectomy for Adenocarcinoma of the Gastroesophageal Junction (R. J. Finley); Laparoscopic Nissen Fundoplication (R. A. Hinder); Reoperation for Patients with Achalasia (D. B. Skinner); Three-Field Lymphadenectomy for Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Thoracic Esophagus (A. Peracchia); and Surgical Treatment of Cardia Cancer (J. R. Siewert)

### Scientific Exhibits

Following are exhibit booth additions: SE 177, Gynecomastia: Outpatient Surgery with Local Anesthesia—A New Diamond Wound Drain. Plastic Surgery Clinic of Austin, Austin, TX.

SE 178, A Case Report of Bannayan's Syndrome. Matthew C. Indeck, MD, FACS; Wendy S. Newell, MD; Leanne M. Preston, PA-C; Joel Horowitz, MD. Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, PA.

SE 179, A New Long Intestinal Tube in Partial Small Bowel Obstruction. George F. Gowen, MD, FACS. Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, PA.

SE 180, Double-Layer Mesh Repair of Complex Ventral Hernias. Nora W. Evans, MD; Edward W. Taylor, MD; Farzin Shariatmaderi, MD; Lisa Guirguis, MD; Cassandra Kennedy, MD. Kern Medical Center, Bakersfield, CA.

## PG 19 and mock trial begin Monday

Postgraduate Course #19, "Professional Liability /Risk Management and Legal Preparedness," which begins Monday, is a three-day course that is designed to familiarize surgeons with high-risk areas of practice and the methods that are available to deal with them.

Practical advice will be provided on how to avoid a lawsuit, how to proceed when one is sued, and how to protect one's mental health during the process.

The first session of the course—a mock trial—will begin at 8:30 am in Room 200-212 of the Moscone Center. The mock trial will be conducted under the

direction of Barry M. Manuel, MD, FACS, and Sharon P. Stiller, JD. Members of the audience, faculty, and the Regent's Committee on Professional Liability will participate in all aspects of the trial to determine if the defendant surgeon has committed medical malpractice.

*Only those individuals who have registered for the postgraduate course may attend the mock trial.*

For information regarding registration for PG #19 or for further information about the sessions and presenters, please consult the Clinical Congress Program Book.

## Congress Chronicle

### "Take pride in the traditions of your profession"

**O**n the evening of October 8, 1956, the first day of the 42nd Clinical Congress concluded with the President's Evening held in the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. Dr. I. S. Ravdin, then Chairman of the Board of Regents, welcomed those in attendance and read to them the following telegraphed message:

To the officers and members of the American College of Surgeons...I send greetings. Your skills, coupled with your devoted patient care, provide welcome relief from pain and suffering. To many, you stand as a human symbol of hope, of strength, and of dedicated service. You may take rightful pride in the great traditions of your profession and in recent advances in the field of surgery. This, together with an unrelenting search for new answers and new ways to bring health to the sick, assures you a place of honor in the nation.

Best wishes to you all.

Dwight D. Eisenhower, President

## Surgical care textbook celebrates five years

This year, Scientific American Medicine (Booth 1224), publisher of the ACS-sponsored *CARE of the SURGICAL PATIENT*, celebrates the fifth year of publication of this premier loose-leaf surgical textbook. *CARE of the SURGICAL PATIENT* provides coverage of perioperative management and technique in two illustrated volumes. Subscribers are kept current with advances through quarterly update packages containing several new or revised chapters, a news bulletin summarizing the advances in these chapters, and a completely revised index.

In response to subscriber demand, surgical technique supplements have been added in 1993. Designed to address rapidly evolving surgical techniques, particularly minimally invasive procedures, these supplements provide more up-to-date coverage of surgical techniques than traditional texts, which cannot respond rapidly to revolutionary developments, such as those in the field of laparoscopy or thoracoscopy. Scientific American Medicine's surgical technique supplements feature high-quality photographs and detailed drawings of new procedures.

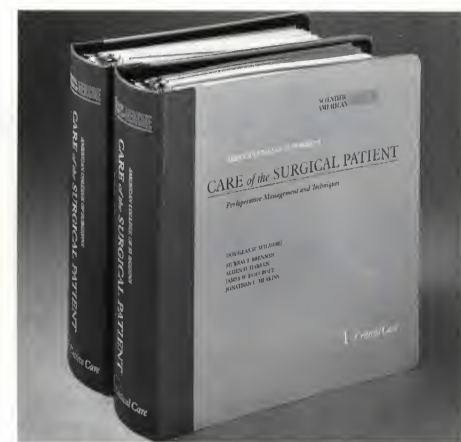
The fall 1993 update package features "Thoracoscopy," by Valerie W. Rusch, MD, FACS, of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, NY. Technique supplements are forthcoming in

such areas as laparoscopic cholecystectomy, breast reconstruction after mastectomy, vascular access, laparoscopic and open herniorrhaphy, and many more.

Along with the text's updating service and technique supplements, subscribers now receive 30 hours of category 2 CME credit for their reading at no extra cost. This program is accredited by the American College of Surgeons.

*Convention attendees receive a special 20 percent savings on the purchase of CARE of the SURGICAL PATIENT.*

For additional information, visit Booth 1224 in the technical exhibit area or contact Scientific American Medicine at 415 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017-1111; tel. 800/545-0554; fax 212/980-3062.



## Workshop to consider standards in residency care

The College's Graduate Medical Education Committee is sponsoring a workshop entitled "Developing Quality Control Standards in a Surgical Residency Program."

The workshop will be held on Monday, from 1:30 to 4:30 pm, in Room 303 of the Moscone Center.

Ajit K. Sachdeva, MD, FRCSC, FACS, will serve as moderator for the workshop. Topics to be examined include the development of models for: appropriate monitoring and supervision of

surgical residents; the effective education of surgical residents, with progressively increasing responsibility, using contemporary strategies and methodologies; measuring outcomes to determine effectiveness of educational programs; and the consideration of factors that help or impede educational models at various institutions.

Workshop participants will work on individual plans to develop appropriate quality control standards for their own residency programs.

## CME credit

The American College of Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians. The American College of Surgeons designates that this continuing medical education offering also meets the criteria for hour-for-hour credit in Category 1 as outlined by the American Medical Association for the Physicians' Recognition Award.

To record your attendance for continuing education and recertification requirements, use the card inserted in the back of the official Program Book. If you have lost your card, you may obtain an extra copy at the Message and Information Centers at Moscone Center. These cards are for your personal record and in most circumstances do not need to be validated.



## Allied Meetings

*Please note: A number of medical school and alumni associations and surgical societies will have information booths, usually open the day of the event, in an area adjacent to the registration area in Moscone Center.*

### Monday

#### Morning

##### **Surgical Oncology**

7:00 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Yosemite Room A.

##### **Association for Surgical Education Testing & Evaluation Committee**

7:00 am - 8:30 am. Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Saratoga Room.

##### **Raven Press Executive Committee for Annals of Surgical Oncology**

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Franciscan Room D.

##### **American College of Cardiology Cardiovascular Surgery Committee**

7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Empire  
Room.

##### **American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons Research Foundation**

7:30 am - 2:30 pm. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Yosemite Room B.

##### **Editorial Board, Journal of Surgical Research**

11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Luncheon Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Sonoma Room.

#### Afternoon

##### **American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons Research Foundation**

12:00 noon - 1:00 pm. Luncheon Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Yosemite Room C.

##### **University of Cincinnati Graduate Surgical Society**

12:00 noon - 1:30 pm. Luncheon Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Cypress Room.

##### **American Association of Endocrine Surgeons**

12:00 noon - 2:00 pm. Luncheon Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Franciscan Room A.

##### **Association of VA Surgeons**

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm. Meeting.  
Marriott Hotel, 5th floor, Sierra Room A.

##### **Curriculum Committee, Association for Surgical Education**

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Meeting.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor, Board Room.

##### **Association for Surgical Education Foundation Board**

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Sausalito Room A.

##### **American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons**

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Pre-Agenda Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Executive Board Room.

#### Evening

##### **American Association of Surgeon Assistants**

5:00 pm - 6:15 pm. Meeting.  
Marriott Hotel, Ballroom level, Sunset  
Room E.

##### **Association of VA Surgeons**

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Reception.  
Marriott Hotel, Ballroom level, Sunset  
Room B.

##### **Ohio State University Hospitals**

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Pavilion  
Room.

##### **J. Bradley Aust Surgical Society**

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Huntington Hotel, Tobin Room.

##### **"Physiologic Basis of Surgery"**

###### **Authors**

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Reception.  
Parc Fifty Five, 4th floor, Dante Room.

##### **Brigham Surgical Alumni**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Plaza  
Ballroom A.

##### **Yale School of Medicine and Yale-New Haven Hospital Department of Surgery**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Stanford Court, Nob Hill, Ballroom West.

##### **University of Maryland Medical Alumni Association**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Yosemite Room B.

##### **University of California, San Francisco, Department of Surgery Alumni**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Crystal  
Room.

##### **McGraw-Hill**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Parc Fifty Five, 3rd floor, Barcelona  
Room I.

##### **Cornell University Medical College-New York Hospital**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Parc Fifty Five, 3rd floor, Sienna Room.

##### **William Beaumont Hospital Surgical Alumni Association**

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, Mezzanine level,  
Borgia Room.

##### **American Association of Surgeons Assistants**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Marriott Hotel, Ballroom level, Sunset  
Room F.

##### **Baystate Medical Center, Springfield, MA**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, Lobby level, Kent  
Room.

##### **Creighton University Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, French  
Room.

##### **University of Florida Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Franciscan Room B.

##### **New York University School of Medicine**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Lobby level, Tower  
Room.

##### **University of Oklahoma Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor, Victorian  
Room.

##### **Alton Ochsner Fellows Alumni Association**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Terrace level,  
Vanderbilt Room.

##### **Brown University Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Continental Room 2.

##### **University of Alabama School of Medicine Alumni Association and Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Mark Hopkins, Number One Nob Hill,  
San Francisco Room.

##### **Dartmouth-Hitchcock Surgical Society**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor, Yorkshire  
Room.

##### **State University of NY Health Sciences Ctr. at Brooklyn, Alumni Assoc. & Clarence Dennis Society**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, Mezzanine level,  
Georgian Room.

##### **Stanford University School of Medicine Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Fountain  
Room.

##### **American College of Surgeons, Illinois Chapter**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Belvedere Room B.

##### **Massachusetts General Hospital Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Continental Room 6.

##### **St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital Center**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Marin Room.

##### **St. Vincent's Surgical Society**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Yosemite Room C.

##### **Temple University Medical Alumni Association**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Continental Room 1.

##### **The University of Texas Medical School at Houston**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Sonoma Room.

##### **University of Connecticut School of Medicine**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level,  
Continental Room 3.

##### **University of Utah Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor,  
Elizabethan Room A.

##### **Wright State University Department of Surgery**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor,  
Elizabethan Room B.

##### **Stony Brook Surgical Associates**

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception/Dinner.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Empire  
Room.

##### **Hershey Surgical Society**

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Mezzanine level,  
California Room.

##### **Pediatric Surgery Biology Club**

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm. Dinner Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor,  
Tiburon Room.

##### **American College of Surgeons, New Jersey Chapter/University Programs**

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor,  
Elizabethan Room C.



**Emory University School of Medicine**  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Venetian Room.

**St. Louis University Alumni**  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Lobby level, Garden Room.

**University of Kentucky Department of Surgery Alumni**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Franciscan Room D.

**Medical College of Pennsylvania Department of Surgery**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Cypress Room.

**Fischer Imaging Corporation**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Yosemite Room A.

**The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Department of Surgery**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.  
Fairmont Hotel, Terrace level, Terrace Room.

**University of Hawaii Integrated Surgical Residency Program**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.

Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Plaza Ballroom B.

**UTMB-Singleton Surgical Society**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Franciscan Room C.

**John E. Connolly Surgical Society**  
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception/Dinner.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor, Elizabethan Room D.

**Warren H. Cole Society**  
6:30 pm - 10:00 pm. Reception/Dinner.  
Bank of America, World Headquarters, Carnelian Room.

**American College of Surgeons, Friends of Bill W.**  
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Belmont Room.

**Surgical Section/National Medical Association**  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Reception.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Sausalito Room.

**University of Missouri-Columbia and the University of Missouri Surgical Society**  
7:00 pm - 9:30 pm. Reception.  
Marriott Hotel, 4th floor, Pacific Room H.

**Frank Cole Spencer Society**  
7:30 pm - 11:00 pm. Reception/Dinner.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 1, 45th floor, Vista Room.

Tuesday

Morning

**General Surgery & Laparoscopy News**  
6:30 am - 7:30 am. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Marin Room.

**Collegium Internationale Chirurgiae Digestivae**  
6:30 am - 8:00 am. Breakfast Meeting.  
Marriott Hotel, Ballroom level, Sunset Rooms CD.

**Association for Surgical Education, Faculty Development Committee**  
6:30 am - 8:00 am. Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Belvedere Room B.

**Surgical Laparoscopy and Endoscopy (Raven Press) Editorial Board**  
7:00 am - 8:30 am. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Belmont Room.

**American College of Surgeons, Indiana Chapter**  
7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast.  
Fairmont Hotel, Mezzanine, Hunt Room.

**American College of Surgeons, Ohio Chapter, Socioeconomic Committee**  
7:00 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast.  
Marriott Hotel, Ballroom level, Sunset Room E.

**ACAS Surgeons**  
7:30 am - 9:00 am. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Sausalito Room B.

**Panamerican Trauma Society**  
7:30 am - 12:00 noon. Breakfast Meeting.  
Westin St. Francis, 2nd floor, Cambridge Room.

**American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons, Executive Council**  
7:30 am - 5:00 pm. Breakfast Meeting.  
Hilton & Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Sausalito Room A.

**Society of Head and Neck Surgeons**  
8:00 am - 12:00 noon. 4th International Conference.  
Hilton & Towers, Ballroom level, Sausalito Room D.

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## Congress Notes

### Program participants may review slides and films

Beginning on Sunday from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm, participants may review their slides and films in the Speaker Ready Room (220) in Moscone Center.

### Ticket holders

Postgraduate course tickets and exhibitor lead retrieval cards are sized to fit into the Congress badge holders. You can keep track of these cards by sliding them into the holder behind your badge.

### Portraits

Arrangements have been made with Oscar & Associates to photograph Initiates and Fellows of the College who desire to have full color or black-and-white portraits taken in Fellowship robes. A photographer will be available in the Initiates Registration Area of Moscone Center during the following times: Sunday from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm, and Friday from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon.

It is suggested that you arrange for your sitting as early in the week as possible. Oscar & Associates will have an assortment of official Fellowship caps and gowns available for your use. There is no charge for the sitting itself. Proofs will be viewed in full color, from which you may order either color or black-and-white finished photographs. A schedule of rates is available at the studio and appointment desk.

This year, Initiates and Fellows who elect to be photographed will see their "proofs" via video screen immediately after their sitting. Although the photography is done by conventional process, an Eastman Kodak electronic previewing system will be used, which allows for simultaneous recording on film and video. This system allows the subject to select favorite views prior to leaving the studio area. Please make sure you allow time to be photographed in this new manner.

### Exhibit rules

More than 150 scientific and approximately 400 technical exhibits will be on display in Moscone Center. Hours are: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Monday through Wednesday, and 9:30 am - 1:30 pm Thursday.

Persons 16 years of age or older who are accompanying surgeons are welcome to tour the exhibit areas. They must register and pay \$25 at the Social Program Registration Area in the San Francisco Hilton and Towers or Moscone Center. Children under the age of 16 will not be admitted to the exhibit areas.

Medical students, nurses, and allied health personnel may tour the exhibit areas without charge, provided they are registered and have a name badge.

Spouses who register for the Social Program may use the badge they receive to enter the exhibit areas. All other persons registered for the Clinical Con-

gress may gain admittance by showing their official badge.

### Message and Information Center

The Message and Information Centers, located in the South lobby and Concourse level of Moscone Center, can provide you with messages, information about the programs and related activities, and names of persons registered and their hotels. Inquiries concerning the Clinical Congress may be made at the Message and Information Centers.

A computerized message system has been set up for your convenience. Messages received at this number, 415/978-3600, will be entered into a computer and the name of the individual for whom the message is intended will be displayed on TV screens located in Moscone Center.

It will not be possible to page individuals or to make announcements. If you wish to reach someone attending the Congress, dial the special number and ask that the message be posted. Also, if you are expecting a call, please check the various posting locations to see if your name appears on the monitor. Please leave the number with your office or with anyone who might want to reach you this week.

The hours of the Message and Information Center are the same as those of the Registration desk: 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm Sunday, and 7:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Thursday.

### Surgical Forum

The complete papers for most of the 313 titles presented in this year's Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems are published in *Surgical Forum, Volume XLIV*, which is on sale during and after the Congress for \$20.00 per copy. Volumes are available in the general Registration area in the North lobby of Moscone Center.

### Clinitapes

Virtually all of the general sessions, specialty sessions, major lectures, and postgraduate courses will be recorded live on audio cassettes. These tapes will be available in approximately 10 weeks.

The program sessions to be recorded are identified in the official Program Book by a code (e.g., CC93-GS2) printed next to the session.

The tapes are reproduced under rigid quality standards to ensure accurate playback. The sessions are not edited except for the introduction.

The Clinitapes for Postgraduate Courses 1-10, 12, 15-17, and 19 include a manual and meet the criteria for hour-for-hour Category 1 credit as outlined by the ACCME and the Physicians' Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. All other Clinitapes meet the criteria for Category 2 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association.

Thanks to the overwhelming response from the Fellows at last year's Congress, "Express Tapes" are back for a second



The ACS Resource Center will be located near the exhibit hall in Moscone Center. This exhibit provides information on the Advanced Trauma Life Support® (ATLS)® course; the Commission on Cancer; the Committee on Trauma; Communications activities; the Development Program; Fellowship; Socioeconomic Affairs; and SURGERY, Gynecology & Obstetrics (SG&O). The Resource Center will be open 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Monday through Wednesday and 9:30 am - 1:30 pm Thursday.

year. Look for the Express Tape name next to selected general sessions, specialty sessions, and named lectures.

Additional information on both the ACS/Clinitapes and the Express Tapes will be available during the Clinical Congress at the ACS/Clinitape booth located on the Concourse level of the Moscone Center.

### Lost and found

Lost and found areas will be located in the ACS Convention and Exhibit Office at Moscone Center, Room 112, and in the Convention Office at the Hilton and Towers, Mason Room B.

### Caps and gowns

Distribution will be on Thursday, October 14, from 1:30 pm until the Convocation ceremony begins, in the South lobby of the Moscone Center. Caps and gowns may be turned in Thursday in the South lobby, at the conclusion of the Convocation.

### Friends of Bill W

Friends of Bill W will meet on Sunday, October 10, through Wednesday, October 13, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, at the San Francisco Hilton and Towers, Building 3, 4th floor, Belmont Room.

## SESAP on display

SESAP '94-'95, the eighth edition of the Surgical Education and Self-Assessment Program, will be on display in the exhibit level lobby of Moscone Center. Visitors to the exhibit may have the opportunity to meet some of the SESAP authors and to work with the new computer version of the program.

The latest edition draws on a 22-year tradition of surgical education, with total enrollments to date numbering more than 90,000. Two years in preparation by 45 surgical authorities, SESAP '94-'95 features 450 multiple choice items (MCIs) in 17 core subject areas and 10 patient management problems (PMPs). Comprehensive syllabi with detailed discussions and references to the current literature, included in each packet, are an especially popular component of the program.

Participants have the option of obtaining 85 Category 1 credits by returning their assessment materials to the College for scoring. SESAP may be espe-

cially valuable for physicians who are preparing for certification or recertification in general surgery. The content of the multiple-choice section is similar to the recertification examination that is developed by the American Board of Surgery.

For the first time this year, each packet will also include an upgraded computerized version of the MCIs (Compu-SAP) for either Macintosh systems or Windows 3.1 for IBM/compatibles.

The new graphical interface is easy to operate, and a context-sensitive help function makes it easy to get acquainted with the system. All of the illustrations have now been fully integrated into the computer program. The visual quality of the material has been enhanced, and future versions of SESAP will be designed to make even more use of computerization.

SESAP is now being produced every two years (rather than three) to allow for the presentation of more focused and timely surgical knowledge.

## No smoking

Moscone Convention Center is a non-smoking building; therefore, the College requests that you refrain from smoking on the premises.